

ALEXANDRIA, VA.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30

To morrow night the world will bid an eternal farewell to that period in its history known among Christians as the year 1876, but the ex act position of which in the cycles of ages cannot even be approximated by human knowl edge. However, be it among the billions of times the earth has made its circuit round the suo, the six thousandth, or the eighteen husdred and six y six hoit will be all the same tomorrow night, for it will then be gone, and so completely that neither it nor its events can ever be recalled-even by Omnipotence. 13 has been a disastrous year. War, pestilence and famine have stalked abroad among the na tions, and our own once happy land has been sorely scourged. Yellow fever has almost decimated the largest city of the suppy Seu is; the fire fiend has emimed its holocoust in the metropolis of the North; the I dians have reveled in waite blood to the West; shipwreck has strewed the eastern coast with corpses; business depression has produced distress and poverty, and political difficulties brought the country a most to the verge of rain. With sura a record, let the old year go and be plotted out from our memory; and let our own misfortunes, fellies and sens, during it, be forgotten also, or if remembered, be so only as warnings against their repetition. And yet, with all its blights, it's sad to see the old year go, for we've had some cappy hours together, and that the fact the joys of those hours can bever return is melaneholy when we refl et upon it; and then, too, though some are nearer the goal of their aspira ious, all are nearer the grave and its dead uncertainties, when they, like the year whose death we are chronicling, will be numbered among the things that were.

Mr. Benjamin Wade, who has been dropped as a supernumerary by his party, still lags superfluous on the stage, reading Mother Goose and advising Grant to re-chaet, on a broader stage, and in the National Capitol, the role he played in New Orleans and Columbia. Is one of his garrulous firs, a day or two ago he said :

efficially made, the democrats believing Mr. going down fast. The express car was smashed or sail, make anyances on goods and produce, having a family dependent upon him, and who him in New York, nothing will be done against this movement on the part of the Hayes gov erament until Mr. Tilden attempts to infringe upon the rights of the national authorities. The moment he does this he becomes a traitor, and will be arrested.'

In endorsing the ancient hater of the South, the Washington organ says:

"The proper course to pursue, in case the House attempts to elect Mr. Tilden after the Senate has aunounced Hayes' election, is to stop the proceedings of the House at once by arresting all the participating members, and they might as well know the cousequences of such a scheme now as when it is attempted.

The radicals talk about arresting the representatives of the people as glibly as a policeman does about arresting a vagrant, but let a democrat, or an independent like Mr. Banning, speak of defending his constitutional rights, and of opposing forcible usurpation by force, and he become at once a traitorous rebel.

The world is evidently going to the bad, and that at a rapid rate, for the times are out of joint, and everything turns that way. It has often been stated that lying has its advantages as well as trathfulness, but such a demoraliz ing assertion has just been palpably substantiated, and that, too, in our own State, and as follows: James L. Spencer, now of Nelson county, but formerly of Augusta, was lately arrested for the murder of an old man named Christopher Stover, eight years ago, the arrest having been at the instance of a man to whom the accused had made a confidential confession of the crime. He was accested by comparative strangers, but when tried last Wednesday, in Staumon, by people who knew him, he was immediately acquitted, because he was such a notorious lyar that nobody would believe him.

Governor Hampton has supplemented one piece of foil, -his letter to Col. Mosby requesting him to ask the President to keep his word and fulfill his promise-by another equally as censurable-his letter to Gov. Hayes. Senator Gordon and Gen. Bradly Johnson should have remained in Columbia until the Governor's macteen months old, and born in troublous case was decided.

There is nothing new in the case of the recusant telegraphic witcesses, except that Barnes, the New Orleans operator, is expected to reach Washington to day in charge of a deputy sergeant at arms of the House.

The Fredericksburg Herald, the oldest, and one of the best newspapers in the State, has, we regret to say, suspended publication. We sincerely hope the suspension may be only conviction that Gov. Stearns will take the oath

temporary. A WORD TO FARMERS .- An exchange, whose editor evidently knows what he is talking about, gives some good advice in the fol-

lowing paragraph, which we commend to the careful consideration of owners of horses: "Let any one who has the care of a horse

these cold, frosty mornings, deliberately grasp in his hand a piece of iron; indeed, let him touch it to the tip of his tongue, and then let him thrust the bit into the mouth of his horse, if he has the heart to do it. The horse is an animal of pervous organization. His mouth is formed of delicate glands and tissues. The temperature of the blood is the same as in the human being, and, as in man, the mouth is the warmest part of the body. Imagine, we repeat, the irritation that would be caused the human, and consider that, if not to the same degree, still the suffering of the animal is very great. And it is not a momentary pain. Food | the Eliza Pinkston case. peated day after day, causes loss of appetite and loss of strength. Many a horse has become worthless from no other cause than this.

The Winchester News says Colonel F. W. Cxisting political problem that involves the expected at this time that the ship hibition of armed force, or that moves through and Mrs. IDA McGAUTY, both of Fairfax co. for Governor, should it be tendered him.

A Terrible Bridge Disaster.

A terrible accident occurred at Ashtabula, Obio yesterday evening. A Loke Shore train bound west went through as fron br dge seventy five feet to the river below. It is reported seven coaches and all the baggage and exprevaled at the time.

The cone of the accident is a few rods easi the depot. The iron bridge spans Ashia ula creek. 75 feet above water. On both sides are high banks. So w had been falling almost postantly for forty-right hours, and a driving storm was raging, traking it very difficult to get rews from the wrecked and burning train. Very few particulars could be learned at a late hour last night. The en zens at Ashrabuia, with a competent corps of physicians, are doing everything possible for the sufferers.

The following is a purtial list of the wound ed: George W. Waite and wife, Ashtabula, badly hurt; J. W. Martin, wife and mother, hought to be from East Avon, Livingston county, N. Y., fatally injured; H. W. Shepard, Brooklyn, N. Y., leg broken; Robt. Mon roe, Rutland, Mass, badly burt; Elwari Tru worthy, Oakland, Cal., badly burt; it is feared Mr. Truworthy's wife and daughter were both individual. killed; a child of Mrs. Mary Bradley, of San Francisco, was killed; Mr. Barlow, of Chicago, was badly hurt; Minerva Biagham, of Chicago,

was dangerovsly wounded. A later dispatch says: The storm at Ashtabula has somewhat abated. The weather is elected. The amount of the bet was five hunfast growing coider. It seems that the falling dred dollars, which soon seemed so enormous train and bridge smashed the ice in the creek, to the Manel esterians that the grand jury took and those not killed by the fall or bursed by an interest in it. It was said that the parties and drowned before they could be extricated, was declared yesterday to be off. Many too will be, or have been frizen. The The cambidates for the vacant Doorkeeper' cit zens of Ashtabula are at the wreck, and as place in the Senate are increasing very rapidly. mu y as can are working to rescue those not This is an indication of the hard times. aiready claimed by death.

At this time we are unable to learn the name Mrs. Bradley. It is known that there were a lowed to draw their pay for the time they have arge number of Eastern people on the ill fated train. It is said the seven coaches were all well by the Senate. Wonder if they remember it ided. The express messenger for the American

Express Company is missing.

11 p. m.—A special train, with physicians, names and everything for the comfort of the wounded at the wreck, left the Union depot, Cleveland, at 10 o'clock. The weather is still growing colder at Ashtabula, and only four graphed for. bonies so far have been taken from the debris. The night here is quite clear, and now the snow has almost emsed.

Mary Frame, Rochester, N. Y., was fatally pured. It is estimated there were 175 passengers on the train; at least one-third of these to or Rockingham counties, eastward by the wer killed, burned to death or frezen.

The train was drawn by two engines. One engine remained on the bridge; everything else went dowe. The engineer and fireman on the ngine that went down were badly but not serously injured. The work of removing the dead bodies still goes very slowly on.

The weather at Ashtabula is becoming extremely cold.

12 20 a. m.-The wreck is still burning. No more bodies have been recovered than already reported. It is impossible to get the names of the killed. The list of w unded will be swelled considerably. Public and private houses are thrown open to the wounded and destitute.

As near as can be ascertained fity two per sons were wounded. How many escaped un hart it is impossible to find out at this hour. elected, attempt to inaugurate to spiraters. The train is known as the Pacific do an express business, construct and operate (wo drawing room cars.

1.20 a. m.-The wreck has now burned down, but it will be daylight before much can be done toward getting out the dead.

The sp cial train which left Cleveland at 10.30 was drawn by two engines, but owing to the deep snow on the track was two hours getting to Painesville, thirty miles from Cleveland, and exactly half way between Cleveland and Ashtabula.

News of the Day.

Mr. Clapp, the government printer, has denied the report that any of his force is to be furloughed after January 1 on account of short

apprepriations. The New York Sun says the marriage of James Gordon Bennett to Miss Ida May is to occur on the 2d of January, or the morning of the 31. The marriage is to be very private. The bridal party will sail on the Russia next Wednesday. Mr Bennett and his bride will probably return to this country next June, in time for the Newport polo season.

A boxing match in Boston on Thursday last resulted in the death of one of the contestants. The survivor was arrested, but subsequently discharged, the death of his antagonist having resulted from heart disease.

Seven young men, whilst on the ice on the Ohio river, at Augusta, Ky., on Thursday last, were drowned by the sudden breaking of will be rejected without the concurrence of both a gorge. Three of the bodies were recovered

Mrs. Margaret Goldsborough, of Frederick. Md., died last night in her seventy-fifth year. She was the mother of United States Marshal E. Y. Goldsborough, and only sister of the late Wm. Schley, of Baltimore.

The boiler of the tugboat Portsmouth, Capt. Riebl, exploded at Baltimore, yesterday moraing. A son of Capt. Riehl, aged seven, was ustantly killed. Henry Black, engineer, and Paillip Hassnough, fireman, were severely

bruised and scalded. The Staunton Vindicator says the Augusta National Bank of Staunton has declared a semiannual dividend of 4 per cent, to the stockholders, and put three per cent, to the surplus fund. This is a solid showing for a bank only

The Disputed States.

FLORIDA. Nothing of special interest occurred yesterday. The Supreme Court judges will certainly be at Tallahassee to-day, and it is expected a at, so far as regards Florida.

A later disputch says a disturbance is feared on Tuesday nex:. It seems to be the settled of office and assume the rights appertaining

SOUTH CAROLINA.

The case of Peter Smith, the penitentiary convict, pardoned by Chamberlain and retained in custody by the superintendent, who denies he authority of Chamberlain, on application of habeas corpus for release, came up before Judge Carpenter, of the judicial district, vesterday. The question involves the Governor ship. It was argued by leading counsel, and continued till to day, when the argument will be resumed.

District Attorney Corbin, for the Haves electors, withdrew from the quo warranto precedings in the Supreme Court on the ground that the court had no jurisdiction.

LOUISIANA.

Letter from Richmond.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.] RICHMOND, VA., Dec. 29 1876.-Some time since, I suppose six months ago, a pretty girl. by the name of Minnie Tate, was arrested here on the charge of attempting to pass counterfeit press cars were burned, and about one out of money. She was of the demi monde. The very five persons killed. A heavy snow storm evidence of her guilt was so conclusive that the U. S. Commissioner sent her on to the grand jury of the United States Court. Much to the astonishment of every one, the grand jury brought in, "Not a true bill," and she was, of course, discharged. The matter excited much mind must ultimately depend on yourself or comment at the time. I new learn that a Fed eral official, who was foreman of the jury, will Presidency, I have addressed a letter similar be brought forward in this connection. It is to this to his Excellency Governor Tolden. alleged that the pretty girl and the gentleman alluded to were too intimate, and that it was in this way that the jury was influenced. much was thought at the time, but now I learn that evidence will be aduced to confirm these suspicious. Such is the rumor around the Custom House. Miss Minnie Tate had the good sense to leave the city after her release from jail, and was, at last accounts, seen glittering in diamonds at one of the New York theatres, in company with a gorgeously dressed ing

Nearly all the bets made here on the President al election have been withdrawn. Over in Manchester, a bet was made between a post office official and a well-known newspaper man, the latter betting that Hayes would not be he burning cars were held down by the wreck | would be indicted for betting, therefore the bet

The Senate again attempted to meet to day, but there were only nine Senators present. All of a single one of the kelled except the baby of Senators absent after the 28th will not be al been absent Such was the resolution passed

> Mrs Thomas U. Dudley, widow of the late Thomas U. Dudley, and mother of Bishop iness has generally been better in the latter part Dudley, of Kentucky, died in this city this of the fall, in winter and early so ing. If it morning at 10 o'clock. She was noted for her should take three months more to find out who benevolence. Bishop Dudley has been tele

Among the franchises asked by the Royal Land Company of Virginia in the bill just ofered in the House of Delegates are the following : To build, &c , a railroad from the western boundary of this Commonwealth in Augustown of Harrisonburg; through Rockingham, &c., to some point on the Potomac river at or between Mathias' Point and Quantico; to purmase, &c, the Potomac, Fred ricksburg and Piedmont railroad; to purchase, &c., the rights, tranchises, & .. of the Shenandoah Valley and Onio Railroad Company, with liberty to deviate from the prospected route, and to construct the road from a point on the West Vir ginia line not further south than Briery Branch Gap, via Harrisonburg, &c., to or uear Orange Courthouse; to construct branches or lateral passed, &c., &c., cannot fail to attrect settlers. roads in various directions, and particularly from any point on its line east of Fredericksburg, &c., to any point or points upon the Potomac river. Besides, the company asks to be empowered to acquire and sell land, &c., the duty as will as the interest of the agent who lay out towns and cities, to torrow money and exoress. There were six coaches and one or | telegraph lines, &c. The principal office of the company shall be in Virginia, but it may have sact the business of the company.

The proprietor of two of the largest livery stables here offers to send his back on Sunday to any part of this city to take the old and infirm to church free of charge.

U. S. Senator Robertson, republican, South Carolina, who was in the city Thursday night, thinks Wade Hampton was elected, and believes he will be the Governor of South Carolina. He also says that no U. S. Senator has yet been elected from his State.

Counting the Electoral Vote,

Mr. Z. L. White, an intelligent correspond. ent of the New York Tribune, writing from

Washington, says: "The President of the Senate will not, of his own motion, assume the responsibility of decid ing in regard to the validity of the re-urnsand, if the attempt be made to instruct him to do so, the proposition will be voted down by the republican Senators The votes will not be counted by the President of the Senate, be cause all the well established precedents are against any such action. The Senate is gov erned by precedents much more than the other house. The next House will not elect the President. No President can be chosen by the House of Representatives unless it is done before the 4 h of March. The vote of no State houses. The genuine official returns of the three contested Southern States may be received as prima facie evidence of how the votes of these States ought to be counted, but they will not be considered as final proof. No question of either law or fact will be submitted to the Supreme Court for its decision. The electoral vote of Oregon will be one short-neither Cropin's nor Watts's vote will be allowed to be counted. The House of Representatives will do nothing that is revolutionary or even impolitic. The constitution will not be violated.

A correspondent of the Baltimore Sun, writing from the same city, says "on the contrary, that a friend of acting Vice President Ferry states there is no reason to believe that he has concluded not to assume the responsibility of counting the electoral votes and declaring the result unless the Senate passes a formal resolution directing him to do so. This gentleman also says that it is very doubtful whether such a resolution can be gotten through the Senate."

Gen. Hampton's Letter to Gov. Hayes.

Gen. Hampton has sent the following letter to Gov. Hayes by Judge Mackey, who is a pence per cental dearer than last week. The Haves and Hampton man:

MY DEAR SIR: -I have the honor to inclose final solution of the vexatious uncertainties a copy of my inaugural as the duly elected which now disturb the country will be arrived Governor of South Carolina. In view of the present events, and the official sanction given to gross misrepresentation of the acts and purposes of the majority of the good people of the Commonwealth, I deem it proper to declare hat profound peace prevails throughout the State; that the course of judicial proceedings is obstructed by no combination of citizens there of, and that the laws for the protection of the inhabitants in all their rights of person, property and civizenship are being enforced in our courts. While the people of this State are not wanting, either in the spirit or means, to maintain their rights of citizenship against the us urped power which now defies the supreme ju dicial authority of the State, they have such faith in the justice of their cause that they propose to leave its vindication to the proper legal tribunals, appealing at the same time to the patriotism and public sentiment of the whole country. The inflammatory utterances of a portion of the public press renders it per haps not inopportune for me to state, although the people in South Carolina view with grave Both the Sepate and House committees were | concern the present critical conjuncture in the engaged yesterday in examining witnesses, the affairs of our country which threatens to sub-Senate committee spending all of its time on ject to an extreme test the republican system of government itself, it is their firm and deliberate purpose to condemn any solution of the ing, esq, all of that city.

the Constitution or the peaceful agencies of

Trusting that a solution may be had which. while maintaining the peace of the country shall do no violence to the constitutional safe guards of popular rights, and will tend still firmly to unite the people of all the States in an earnest effort to preserve the peace and sus tain the laws and the Constitution, I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

Gevernor of South Carolina. His Excellency R. B Hayes, Governor of Ohio: P. S .- As the settlement of the vexed poli tical questions which now agitate the public upon your distinguished competitor for the

Yours, WADE HAMPTON.

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Real Estate Sales. To the editor of the Alexandria Gazette:

Thisking it may interest the readers of your paper to see that something has been done is the sale of real estate, I send this report that you may use it if you think proper.

From the 27th day of December, 1875, to the

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The above sales have been made in about ten months to the 13th of October. Since that time but little has been done, which I think is mai. ly cwing to the great interest that has been taken in the election of a President, as our bus is to be inaugurated President business may be dull during that time, but after wird I am satis fied that sales or land will be brisker than ever, as this centennial has brought very many people to Virginia and the South, who express them selves generally very well pleased and I think will be more so, as they have heard that Hamp ton & Co. have no horns. The one thing most'y needed in our State is to get it populated, for there are many millions of acres that are not cultivated, not available, and consequently a burthen to the ew ers, who have to pay taxes. I am satisfied that with proper exertions a very large quantity of Virginia lands can be sold w thin the next year, and that quantity continue to increase at a very rapid rate, for our State, with its advantages of climate, being intermediate between two extremes, the productiveness of the land if properly cultivated, its time markets, its proximity to the national capital, its vast mineral wealth which is beginning to be developed, its water power which is not sur-In order to induce people here there are some things very important. The first thing is to try so sell them the very best bargains in iands that can be had. If A wests \$30 per sere and B will take \$20, and the lands are equally good, it is knows the land to advise his customer to buy thousand dollars to buy a home for homself and some farms too high, but never when I could

help it. Then when they settle among us all should try to make them feel at home and satisfied, as I think is generally the case; but there is a very great error that some of us commit, and that is, when one buys and settles he most always flads one good neighbor was begins to express great sympathy for him because he has paid too much for his farm, but if he had bought his form he would have got a much better bargain-not that he would have sold his for the price paid, but it is a better farm, or has a larger orchard and two of the trees bear the finest apples in the State, or something that he has is better than the stranger's. What a pity that some people let self interest lead them astray, and do both themselves and the community an injury! People had better, in my opinion, but their lands very low, and if they have 1000 or 1000 acres and perhaps cultivate 100, they had best make a sacrifice, or as I have thought and think yet, if the lands were div ded into 50 or 100 acre ots and half given away, reserving the intermediate lots with the understanding that the party is to build and lenge and make a home; the remaining half would sell more readily and for more money than all would have brought at first. If I had a horse neve in the stable and had to pay fifty cents per day for keeping him when I had no use for him, it seems very clear that I had better give him away or knock him in the head than keep him and pay for the privilege of keeping him. So it is with many large

farms and smaller ones also whose owners are kept poor by paying taxes. There are many thousand acres of land on the railroads coming into the city which, if cut up into 50 or 100 sere lots running from the railroad track on either side, and every alternate ot given away on the terms above named, I have no doubt would make the remainder sell more readily and for more money than all would now. Only get people enough in here and the land owners will not be so much concerned about putting a big price on their land, for it would command a big price; and then only think of the immense advantage to the State, as well as, in my opinion, to the large land owner, the railroads and indeed to all of us.

Foreign News.

Turkey is willing to grant any reasonable concessions, but positively refuses to allow any armed occupation of her provinces, even by English troops. It has been agreed that the armistice shall be prolonged until the first of March. It is stated that the late Council heid at Vienna discussed the question of an eventual Austrian occupation of Bosoia. Wheat in the English market is one to two moderate republicans to the French Chamber have definitely separated from the extremists. The Spanish Senate has approved the bill conceroing the guarantees for the Cuban loan.

BAD FOR THE N. G. KAILROAD. - The committee of Georgetown merchants appointed to solicit subscriptions for the proposed Narrow Gauge Railroad from that city to Harrisonburg in this State and thence to Cincinnati have adopted the following resolution: "That in the opinion of the committee it is inexpedient to solicit subscriptions from the cit zens of this town to the Narrow Guage Railroad in this time of business depression.

THE TYLER CASE. - The jury in the Tyler case, finding it impossible to agree upon a verdiet, have been discharge l. Since the accused was removed to his father's house he has had several recurrences of the hemorrhagic attack which seized him in the court-house, and has been rendered so weak in consequence thereof that physicians pronounce his condition as execedingly precarious, if not entirely hopeless.

MARRIED.

In Norfolk, on Wednesday afternoon, the 27th instant, at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev O.S Berton, D.D. of the Episcopal church, WINGFIELD S. WHITEHURST to MAMIE V., eldest daughter of Jas. R. Keat-

BY TELEGRAPH.

Special Dispatches to the Gazette.

From Washington.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 -The Presidential question tomaine it statu quo prior to the recerpt of the result in South Carolina. From Florida and Loui-i na there is nothing de-

General Hampton's open letter to Messrs. Hayes and Tilden is look d upon by dem-tide. perats here as another mistake, smarking too much of the "good Lord, good devil" policy. The General and the people of South Carolina seem to forget that the surest way to obtain relief from their oppression is to have a change in the government at Washington first-then they will be bear r able to manage their home affairs, free from the interference of Federal troops and design ing adventurers, backed up and susain ed by Federal Ex cutive power.

The Senate was not in session to-day, and that all have perished. the House merely met, and without even reading the journal, there being apparently no quotum present-adjourned until Wednesday

next the 31 of January 1877. The attempt on the part of a radical paper here-said occasionally to represent the sentments of the Administration-to "bulldize" the House into quietly acquiescing in the freudulent election of Hayes, by threatening to arrest the members as traitors, &c., &c., passes sun here tale. There is no doubt that the ultra-radica's will attempt to have Hayes in augurated vi et armis, but the House-that is the democratic majority - have made up their minds to vindicate the rights of the people and take all the odium that may attach thereto. It Hayes is inaugurated it is not at all improbable that Tilden will be also, and then a collision is inevitable.

THE TYLER CASE. It is reported this afternoon that Wm Tyler, whose trial is just concluded in the Criminal Court, is now in a most critical condition, and may not recover.

The Bridge Disaster.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 30-1:50 a. m.-It is now known that there are 75 persons in the wrock of the train, but it cannot be ase rtained whether any of them are alive. The Cieveland special relief train has arrived and the surgeons have begun their work.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 30-2:30 a, m.-The very latest information gives 60 as the number of wounded and 100 killed. To the fist of wounded is to be added Mrs. Frame, of Roch ester, N Y., who is not expected to live.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.-A special disp teh from Ashrabula, giving an account of the accident on the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Rairoad, says: One of the most furious snow storms ever known in this vicinity had been raging nearly all day, and deep drifts made every roadway impassable. So severe was the storm that very few of the business places of Ashtabula kept open doors after four or five o'cleck in the evening and the trains from all directions were several hours behind band. At about eight o'clock p. m. the whole village was aroused by a general fire alarm, and the word soon spread that passenger train No. 5 from the East, had gone through the high bridge over Ashtabala river with a large name ber of passengers aboard, and that the whole train was on fir . In spite of the terrible night

nearly the whole village and all of the fire cogines w re soon on route to the depot, which is situated about a mile distant from the vii-Senate, and after the declaration has been It is reported that the fire is still burning, but issue bonds, operate vessels propelled by steam | the \$.0 farm. It is all important for a man large. The train was due at Ashtabula at a Cox, John E quarter past five, and was nearly three hours Dulanie, Miss Mary late. It had eleven cars, including a drawing Gibson, hirs Bettle room ear, the sieepers, one smoking ear, two family, to invest his hard earned money proper-is. If he should buy a horse for \$100 worth Hubberl, Wm branch offices in other States, at which it shall only \$50 he might recover from it, but to only a press cars. It was drawn by two engines. be competent for the board of directors to tran- farm for \$4000 and find that he could have done | Daniel McGuire, engineer of the forward enas well with \$2000 is a loss which he probably gine, relates that the train was running at a never will recover. I have and shall adopt this slow rate, and just as they had fairly crossed plan, as I have tried to do, though I have sold High bridge, which is not more than forty rods distant from the depot, he felt a violent jar. and in an instant the coupling between the two engines had broken, and the whole train was precipitat d with the bridge into the riv er below. McGuire says that this engine was pulled back nearly to the edge of the broken span before the coupling severed, and it regained its forward motion barely in time to save itself. The bridge over Ashtabula river was an iron teuss bridge and hat been to use II years. The span is about 100 cet wide and through the space between flows the river about four or five feet deep at this time, thickly e vered with ice .-Tato this space were the 11 cars and one engine and tender arec plated. The fall of 60 feet breaking through the ice covering shivered the care as if a magazine of mire glye rice had exploded beneath them. The seven passanger coaches alt gether con aided about 165 adults

besides a number of children. In the drawing room car which was bound for Cleveland were 9 persons all of whom are supposed to have perished by drawning or fire. In the 2 sleepers bound for Chicago there were 35 passengers, but most of these in the forward car are saved GREAT SACRIFICE. with injuries more or less severe. Within a very few moments after the crash the flames burst ou: simultaneously from nearly every car. A gentleman who was first at the scene says he saw a young and finely dressed girl of about 10 years of age, struggling in vain to release her hips from the weight which was crushing her slender form, and close behind her were the flames which, in another instant, enfolded her in their embraces. There was a fine appearing gentleman, of middle age, sitting bolt upright ic his seat, and unable to extricate himself, calmly awaiting the flames, which soon claimed their victim. There were bodies floating out from the wreck. A crowd soon made their way to the burning debris, and with the aid of axes and ropes many were extricated, placed on stretchers and taken to the top of the hill, where the best of assistance awaited them. The hotels at the depot were soon filled and private houses were thrown open throughout the town. The -urgeons of the town reudered all the assistance in their power, but many perished, notwithstanding the best of care, during the night. Others are now lying in a suffering condition in the

hotels and private residences. NEW YORK, Dec. 30 .- A dispatch from the cene of the accident on the L ke Shore Rulroad reads as follows :-

"Up to noon of the one hundred and sixtyfive passengers less than sixty are known to be saved with injuries more or less severe; the lost are so totally disfigured by the fire that identifi cation is utterly impossible. It is believed that but few if any bodies are under the ice. Of the dead the name of but one is known which is that of a child of Mrs. Bradley, of San Francis-co." Another dispatch says, "The list of the saved from the wreck has been nearly completed and shows 120 persons missing besides those hurt. A good many victims were drowned. All of the cars are burned to cinders. The accident was caused by the train running off the track and striking the bridge, precipitating the structure and the cars to the ice below, resulting in a mass of ruins.

Shipwreck.

NEW YORK, Dec 30 .- A dispatch from Bridgehampton, Long Island, say .. At four clock this morning the ship Circa man, ashore on the bar off the harbor of Bridgehampton, south shore of Long Island, was entirely broken up by the last sou herly gale and lost, together with 29 lives. The Circussian went ashore in the storm on the night of the 11th instant. At that time the crew and offi cers were saved through the efforts of the officer of the life-saving station. Thy were trken off by means of a rope thrown acress the ship by a rocket from shore, no boat being able to be landed or to live in the sea.

however, shortly after she struck and it was confidently hoped that she might be saved. With this view the Coast Wrecking Company was engaged to save the ship and cargo. They accordingly west to work but up to yesterday noon on account of continued bad weather were able to make only slight progress. About four hundred tens of her cargo only which was an assorted one were taken out, but it was expected that another day's work would lighten her sufficiently for tugs to pull her off at high

The storm of yesterday caught thirty-three men, employees of the Coast Wrecking Company, on beard, and there were no means pro vided for their rescue. Finally, at a short time after midnight, the ship went to pieces with an awful crash, according to the account of the four survivors, who were washed ashere this moreing more dead than alive on fragments of the wreck. No one of the remaining twenty-nine men on board has been seen or heard from up to the present time. There is but little doubt

Another Bridge Accident.

RUTLAND, VT., Dec. 30.-The accident to the Montreal express train, near l'ittsford, Vt., last night, caused by the train breaking through a bridge, was a very lucky one. There were about forty passengers on the train, and none were seriously injured, while the three cars and engine comprising the train are completely wrecked. The engineer and fireman went down with the cugine, but escaped unburg.

COMMERCIAL.

ALEXANDRIA MARKET, Dec'r. 30.-Receip s of Grain continue light, and transactions in consequence are limited. Wheat is setive and fl.m. and we note sales of a choice lot of white at 50 and of other lots at 155 and 156. Cor. is quest, and 52 - as the mightest brice poid to dev Nothing a log in Rycer Oats.

[By Telegraph.]

New York, Dec 3. - to kidull and stonly, Money 6. Gold 107. Governments active and steady Flour quiet and u changed. Whest dull and unchanged. Corn dull and unchanged. BALTIMORE, Dec'r 70.—Versinia 6-, deterred 6\$; Virginia, consolidated, 69\$; do. 24 series to Cotton steady and firm; middling 12! Flour firm, quiet and unchanged. Wheat firm, quiet and unchanged. Corn—Southern firm and quiet, Western steady and firm; new You hern write 53a56; do yearew 54.56; Western mixed and spot 581; January 581; new spot and Jan 581; Fab 594 Usts oul; Southern prime 37 98 Western white 26 58; do mixed 33a35 kye nominal. Clover Seed steady; demand fair at 14 50a815 Hay quiet and heavy; Marviand and Penn-ylvania prime 17:318 Perk 17: S17 25 Sugar quiet and steady at Highly. Whistey dult; small sales at \$1.15.

Bank Statement.

NEW YORK, D.c. 30.-The weekly Bank tatement is as follows:

Deposits, increase...... 6,290 40.

IST OF GETTERS remaining in the Alexandria, Va., Postoffice December 30, 1876. Persons calling for letters will say they are wivertised and give the date of the list." If not called for within thirty days, they will be sent to the dead letter office, in Washington.

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